

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-5.

Claims 6-7 were previously cancelled.

Please cancel Claims 8-21, 23-31. and 37.

Claims 32-36 were previously cancelled.

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Claims 38-39 were previously cancelled.

Please add newly drafted Claims 40-53 as follows:

40. (New) A method of manufacturing a photoluminescent track for an emergency lighting system comprising a plurality of photoluminescent track sections arranged end to end wherein each track section is a sealed unit formed by:

providing an elongate hollow outer member of unitary box-section having first and second major wall portions and opposed side wall portions, said first and second major wall portions extending between and integral with said side wall portions to define a longitudinally extending slot having a length, a width, an open first end and a second end;

providing an elongate inner member having photoluminescent material on at least one side and push-fitting said inner member in said outer member from said open first end of said slot wherein said elongate inner member is substantially the same length and same width as said slot and extends from said open first end to said second end of said slot and between said opposed side wall portions with one of said first and second major wall portions overlying said at least one side of said inner member and being made of a material to transmit light; and

providing a closure member having a flat panel for said open first end and attaching said closure member to an end face of said outer member around said open first end of said slot to close and seal said slot with said inner member within said slot.

41. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein said outer member is made of transparent or translucent plastics.

42. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein said photoluminescent material emits light over at least 90% of said overlying major wall portion.

43. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein said outer member is compressed in a direction transverse to its length after said inner member has been inserted to reduce the depth of said track section.

44. (New) A method according to claim 43 wherein said compression is applied across the full width of said track section.

45. (New) A method according to claim 43 wherein said compression is restricted to side edge regions of said track section.

46. (New) A method according to claim 43 wherein said track section is pre-heated prior to compressing said outer member.

47. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein said outer member is cut to length from a hollow extrusion of box-section and said slot is closed and sealed at said first end and said second end by a respective closure member.

48. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein said closure member has a tongue extending transverse to said panel that is received in said slot between said inner member and the other of said first and second major wall portions of said outer member.

49. (New) A photoluminescent track for an emergency lighting system comprising a plurality of photoluminescent track sections arranged end to end wherein each track section comprises a sealed unit comprising:

an elongate hollow outer member of unitary box-section having first and second major wall portions and opposed side wall portions, said first and second major wall portions extending between and integral with said side wall portions to define a longitudinally extending slot having a length, a width, a first end and a second end;

an elongate inner member having photoluminescent material on at least one side, said inner member being substantially the same length and same width as said slot and extending from said first end to said second end of said slot and between said opposed side wall portions with one of said first and second major wall portions overlying said at least one side of said inner member and being made of a material to transmit light;

wherein at least one of said first end and said second end of said slot is open to allow said inner member to be inserted in said slot and is closed by a flat panel attached to an end face of said outer member around said open end of said slot to close and seal said slot with said inner member within said slot.

50. (New) A photoluminescent track according to claim 49 wherein said closure member has a tongue extending transverse to said panel that is received in said slot between said inner member and the other of said first and second major wall portions of said outer member.

51. (New) A photoluminescent track according to claim 49 wherein said major wall portions of said outer member have substantially planar outer surfaces.

52. (New) A photoluminescent track according to claim 49 wherein said slot is closed by said outer member at said second end.

53. (New) A photoluminescent track according to claim 49 wherein said slot is open at both ends and is closed by attaching a respective closure member to each end face of said outer member to close and seal said slot.